

January 13, 2016 Regular Town Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Chairman Gaulke at 1:00 p.m. Supervisors Chris Mayer, Ginger Schwanebeck, Treasurer Irene Messinger and Clerk Nancy Edwards were present. Others present: Eric Johnson from FYI, Jim Sommerfeldt, Tom Wegner, Pete Kolzow, Roberta Gast, Mike Strasburg from the Lakeland Times, Greg Bohn

This meeting was properly posted and the media notified as required by law.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Motion by Mr. Mayer and seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck and seconded by Mr. Mayer to approve voucher numbers 48296-48352 from the General Fund account, 1656-1661 from the Ambulance Fund, 5323-5329 from the Tax Account. Motion carried.

The minutes of the December 16, 2015 Regular Town Board meeting were presented for approval. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer Messinger provided her report on the financial status as follows:

Reconciled balance of the General fund as of 12/30/2015 as 4,058,917.87.

Reconciled balance of the Ambulance Fund as of 12/30/2015 as \$416,800.62.

Treasurer has been very busy collecting taxes. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Child Life Jacket Wear Bill: Greg Bohn presented the board with a request for their support of the Child Life Jacket Wear Bill to our state legislators. He and his wife have been working on this project for over 4 years. Currently Wisconsin does not have a state law that requires anyone, including infants and children to wear a life jacket while boating. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to send a letter to our state representatives in favor of passing this bill. Motion carried. Roberta Gast from the LDF Lakes Committee also asked for copies of the bill and she will forward to our lake associations to encourage them to also send letters of support.

Timber Sale update: We received a letter from Jacob Bonack forester ranger who was handling the timber sale at the transfer station. He informed us that he had made an error when processing the proposal of the timber cut. This was due to a process of the former forester retiring and him taking over. He provided us with a new update and amendment letter which needs the chairman's signature. The timber sale originally stated a sale of \$24,526.00 however after review the sale is for \$23,176.07. After bringing this to the board attention Chairman Gaulke will sign the amendment letter.

Firework Sales Ordinance: This item was put on the agenda at the request from the Tribal fireworks/liquor committee. They are looking for the town to have an ordinance relating the Sale of Fireworks with a permit application and fee. They have provided a copy to the town of the tribal ordinance Chapter 51 Ordinance regulating the sale and possession of fireworks. Their current fee for a permit is

\$200.00. Currently the town follows the County and State statutes regulating firework sales and possession. The tribe reported that they were notified that there were minors selling fireworks in the area. Mr. Mayer stated that we should contact the VC Sheriff Department as they are the enforcer for the area. Today there was no representation from the tribe who was notified of today's meeting. We will table this item and place it on the second meeting in February. The clerk will contact the tribal committee members again for this meeting and ask if someone from the committee could be present.

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to adjourn at 1:40 p.m.
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Edwards
Town Clerk